

ABSTRACT

5 A nonrefillable valve is provided that allows for an initial filling of a container, but prevents subsequent refilling of the container. The valve operating assembly includes a valve stem and a valve core which is slidably received in the distal end of the valve stem. In a first position, the valve core resides above a rim or protrusion within the chamber. After filling of the container, a second position is defined when the valve stem is operated to force the valve core beyond the protrusion and in seating engagement with a valve seat, thus sealing the container. The valve is then selectively operated in a third or open position to discharge the container as desired. Subsequent refilling of the container is prevented by the force of
10 fluid reentering the valve which forces the valve core to its seated engagement with the valve seat.

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